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IN RE APPLICATION OF : Frank Eidam  
FOR : LOCKING RING  
SERIAL NO. : 10/699,902  
FILED : November 3, 2003  
EXAMINER : James R Brittain  
ART UNIT : 3677  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : BGEE 2 00025

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant request Continued Examination and further requests the enclosed preliminary amendment be entered prior to substantive examination.

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